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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON PKK VIOLENCE (DECEMBER 1-7, 2009)

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[1](#)1. (SBU) This is another in a series of weekly reports on PKK violence in Turkey. Our primary source is the Turkish General Staff (TGS) website, which documents contacts and clashes with the PKK, as well as casualties incurred.

[1](#)2. (U) During the December 1-7 period, eight security officials were killed in clashes with the PKK, including one in Mardin province on December 4, and seven in Tokat province on December 7. Seven security officials were injured, including one by a PKK IED in Sirnak province on December 1, and in clashes with the PKK in Sirnak, Tokat and Batman provinces on December 4 and 7. The total number of security force casualties for the year through December 7, is 61 killed and 97 injured.

[1](#)3. (U) During the same period, two PKKers were killed in clashes in Sirnak province on December 4, and two surrendered in the Hakkari province on December 6. According to official TGS website figures, through the first week of December, the number of PKK militants killed this year is 48, the number of those captured is 73. The number of those who surrendered reached 121.

[1](#)4. (U) During the reporting period no civilian was killed but one was injured due to a PKK IED in Diyarbakir province on December 5. The total number of civilian casualties for the year through the end of the first week of December is 15 killed and 27 wounded.  
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